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In re Application of:

Gerard J. Tate

Application No. 10/736,114

Re Office Action of May 13, 2005

Filed on December 15, 2003

Group Art Unit 3677

Title: FASTENER FOR USE WITH SHOES

Examiner Lavinder

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

As part of a Request for Continued Examination in response to the Office Action dated May 13, 2005, and in response to a notice of non-compliant amendment responding to the previously filed amendment dated August 23, 2005, please amend the application identified above as follows: